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| Boris L. KUZIN, et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 1726 |
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| For: SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELL |) | |
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**Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a Restriction Requirement (Restriction) dated January 25, 2011, the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("Office") requires restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following groups for further prosecution in this case:

- Group I - Claims 40-55 and 78, allegedly drawn to a solid oxide fuel cell.
- Group II - Claims 56-59, allegedly drawn to a method for producing energy.
- Group III - Claims 60-77, allegedly drawn to a process for preparing a solid oxide fuel cell.

According to the Office, Groups I-III do not relate to a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because they allegedly lack the same corresponding technical feature. For example, the technical features of the anode, cathode and electrolyte of